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Senate Resolution 346

By: Senator Meyer von Bremen of the 12th

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Recognizing and commending Jim Fowler; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Jim Fowler, one of the world's best known naturalists, is a native of Georgia,
- 3 having been born in Albany, Georgia on April 9, 1932; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he has presented information about wildlife and wilderness to the American
- 5 public on television for more than 40 years, educating the young and old about how to live
- 6 in harmony with the Earth and its creatures; and
- WHEREAS, he served as host of Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom and Mutual of Omaha's
- 8 Spirit of Adventure, was the wildlife correspondent for NBC's Today Show, was the wildlife
- 9 expert on Discovery Communication's Animal Planet network, and was a regular on the
- 10 Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson, programs that received many awards including four
- 11 Emmys and an endorsement by the National PTA for family viewing; and
- 12 WHEREAS, in addition to his television work, Jim Fowler served as executive director of
- 13 Mutual of Omaha's Wildlife Heritage Center, visiting zoos and nature centers around the
- 14 country; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Jim Fowler is the president of the Fowler Center for Wildlife Education in New
- 16 York, serves as the honorary president for the Explorers Club, and has sat on the boards of
- 17 Friends of Conservation, the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund, and the Global Communications for
- 18 Conservation; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Jim Fowler, who knew as a child growing up in Albany, Georgia, that he
- 20 wanted to become a naturalist, is credited with the layout and development of The Parks at
- 21 Chehaw; and

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1 WHEREAS, he has traveled all over the world, along with his wife Betsey Fowler, a

- 2 prominent wildlife artist, in furtherance of his mission to affect public attitudes so that people
- 3 around the world will help protect wildlife habitat and influence appropriate governmental
- 4 policy.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 6 join in recognizing and commending Jim Fowler as there are very few, if any, individuals
- 7 who have played a more important role in wildlife conservation and education and express
- 8 their gratitude for all of his contributions and the impact he has had on the State of Georgia,
- 9 the United States of America, and the world.
- 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 11 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jim Fowler.